

RE APPLICATION OF:

Kohji SAKAI et al.

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FOR: MULTI-BEAM OPTICAL SCANNER

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicants claim priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to U.S. Application Serial Number 08/868,737 filed June 4, 1997 and priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 to Japanese Application Numbers 8-142791 filed on June 5, 1996 and 9-002334 filed on January 9, 1997. It is noted that the examiner has only acknowledged our claim to foreign priority. We request acknowledgement in writing of our request for domestic priority. Applicants have also submitted herewith a substitute reissue declaration which corrects a transposed filing date of the second priority application and includes domestic priority.

Respectfully submitted,

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Any corrections required by the Chief Draftsman or drawing amendments approved by the Examiner have been incorporated into the copies of the Formal Drawings submitted herewith. It is requested that the enclosed <u>8</u> sheets of Formal Drawings be entered to replace the drawings previously filed in this application.

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSMAN **8 SHEETS OF FORMAL DRAWINGS**

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event that any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time.

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